House Resolution No. 965

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize Richard James Nissen, D.D.S., of St. Louis, Missouri; and

Whereas, Dr. Nissen received his bachelor of science from Iowa State University in 1979, his doctor of dental surgery degree from the University of Iowa College of Dentistry in 1983, and his M.S. from Washington University in St. Louis in 1985, and; and

Whereas, Dr. Nissen practiced with Orthodontics Consultants of St. Louis from 1985 through 2007; and

Whereas, Dr. Nissen was appointed an as Orthodontic Consultant, Cleft Palate TEAM, at St. John's Mercy Medical Center in St. Louis, Missouri; and

Whereas, Dr. Nissen was appointed Assistant Professor at the Washington University School of Medicine, Department of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, and the Washington University School of Dental Medicine, Department of Orthodontics; and

Whereas, Dr. Nissen was appointed as an Orthodontic Consultant for The Cleft Palate and Craniofacial Deformities Institute at Children's Hospital in St. Louis; and

Whereas, Dr. Nissen has devoted over twenty years in the field of dental and orthodontic care and hygiene toward the service of others; and

Whereas, Dr. Nissen has been involved in several organizations, memberships, presentations, and research during his career that have contributed to the well-being of the public; and

Whereas, Dr. Nissen's practice has been specifically targeted toward community service, specially countless un-remunerated hours in the reparation of children's jaws and facial deformities; and

Whereas, Dr. Nissen's professional appointments and awards over the past twenty years reflect and spak to his dedication to his work and improving the lives of others:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to recognize and applaud Dr. Nissen for more than twenty years of selfless and altruistic work for the betterment of the public and the welfare of children's lives; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Richard James Nissen, D.D.S., as a measure of our esteem.

Offered by
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninet fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 965, adopted March 10, 2008.
Rod Jetton, Speaker